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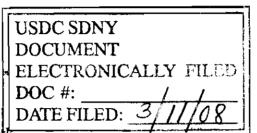
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Hon. Richard J. Holwell United States District Court Southern District of New Yor 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007





Re:

Montblanc-Simplo GMBH et al. v. Bobley-Harmann Corporation et al. 2007 Civ. 6956 (RJH)

Honorable Judge Holwell:

Please be advised that this office is counsel of record for the defendants ("Bobley") in the above referenced action. I am writing to request an informal conference pursuant to Local Civil Rule 37.2 for the purpose of submitting a motion for a protective Order directing that Bobley's deposition take place in Nassau County, rather than New York County as noticed by plaintiff's counsel.

Plaintiffs have served an amended notice to take Bobley's deposition dated February 14, 2008. (Please see Exhibit "A" annexed hereto.) That notice designates plaintiff's counsel' office in New York County as the venue for the deposition. I was absent from my office for approximately 2 weeks at the time of the service of the notice as I had previously advised plaintiff's counsel. Bobley contests the selected venue.

Bobley is a domestic corporation with its only place of business located at 95 Hopper Street, Westbury, NY in Nassau County. The designated witness, Mr. Mark Bobley, is a resident of Suffolk County. The law is well settled that "[t]here is a presumption that depositions of corporate officers will take place at the corporate officer's residence or the corporation's principal place of business." Silva Run Worldwide Limited v. Gaming Lottery Corporation, 2003 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 22994 *2 (SDNY 2003). This Honorable Court has the discretion to designate the site of the deposition after considering the cost, convenience and efficiency of conducting the deposition in Nassau County.

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Here, the plaintiffs maintain principal places of business in Hamburg, Germany and Murray Hill, New Jersey, respectively, as set forth in the complaint; neither is a New York corporation. On the other hand, and as set forth above, Bobley only has a nexus with Nassau County, and its corporate officer within Suffolk County. In addition, I maintain my practice within Nassau County, which is less than 3 miles from Bobley's office. Further, all of the documents that have been produced thus far have originated at Bobley's office.

I have attempted to resolve this issue with plaintiff's counsel to no avail. I have annexed hereto a copy of my most recent correspondence and plaintiff's counsel's response. (Please see, Exhibits "A" and "B") Accordingly, I respectfully request an informal conference for the purpose of resolving this issue, or granting permission to file the appropriate motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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By Steven E. Cohen, Esq.

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cc: Kalow & Springut LLP (via facsimile)

The deposition shell take place at lefendants council's efficie at a mutually a preable time

SO ORDERED

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